

MANHATTAN-ELWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

March 22, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Manhattan-Elwood Public Library District took place virtually on Zoom and was called to order at 4:32 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: (voting members) Sharon Gill, Robert Braam, Kim Ciuffini, Keri English, Jan Krekel, Patti Blatti; Not Present: Terry Ralston
Library Staff: Ashley Hopper, Director

Changes to Agenda: None

Public Comment: None

Audience to Visitors: None present

Minutes: Minutes from the February board meeting were approved as written.

Correspondence: None

Financial Reports: Filed for audit

Payment of Special Bills: After some direction from Director Hopper and board discussion, a motion was made by Trustee English and seconded by Trustee Blatti, to pay off the First Street Mortgage in the amount not to exceed \$90,000.00. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

Directors Report: An addition to the report was that the tax extension came thru at \$1,074,485.39 for the year 2021.

The bid for the new doors to the front entrance went to Preferred Window and Door with their bid of \$4,492.65. The doors are ordered and library is waiting for notification of install date. The library had new door counters installed on the front and rear entrances of the building, which are more accurate than previous models.

Committees: The Budget Committee scheduled a meeting date for April 19, at 2:00 p.m., to review the proposed 2021-2022 budget.

Essential Business: Director Hopper presented information on remote or outside lockers at other community locations to extend library services. After discussion with the library board, it was proposed to Director Hopper to gather more information and present this to the mayor of the Village of Elwood.

Adjournment: 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Ciuffini, secretary, library board of trustees